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# H. R. 1324

To urge the Secretary of State to designate the Quds Force, a unit of Iran's Islamic Revolutionary Guards Corps, as a foreign terrorist organization.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 5, 2007

Mr. SAXTON introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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## A BILL

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1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3       **SECTION 1. FINDINGS.**

4       Congress finds the following:

5               (1) The Quds Force, also known as the Qods  
6       Force, is a unit of Iran's Islamic Revolutionary  
7       Guards Corps which carries out military operations

1 outside of Iran and is responsible for the export of  
2 terrorism for Iran.

3 (2) The Quds Force provides weapons to and  
4 conducts paramilitary training and provides organi-  
5 zational, financial, and planning support for terrorist  
6 groups, namely Hamas, Hizbollah, Palestinian Is-  
7 lamic Jihad (PIJ), the Al Aqsa Martyr's Brigades,  
8 and the Popular Front for the Liberation of Pal-  
9 estine-General Command (PFLP-GC), each of  
10 which is designated by the Secretary of State as a  
11 foreign terrorist organization under section 219 of  
12 the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C.  
13 1189).

14 (3) The Quds Force, which was previously  
15 called the Lebanon Corps, assisted Hizbollah in the  
16 suicide truck bomb attack on the United States Ma-  
17 rine Barracks in Beirut, Lebanon, in 1983.

18 (4) Reports indicate that the Quds Force, using  
19 a variety of tradecraft, collects intelligence and orga-  
20 nizes operations of Shiite armed elements against  
21 United States military forces in Iraq.

22 (5) An article published on February 1, 2007,  
23 in the Sobh-e Sadeq, considered the official publica-  
24 tion of Iran's Islamic Revolutionary Guards Corps,  
25 explicitly described the abduction of several Amer-

1        ican soldiers to the Al-Mahdi Army in Iraq and  
2        threatened that kidnapping Americans and taking  
3        them “to whatever destination is easier than pro-  
4        curing a container of trashy Chinese merchandise”.  
5        The article claimed the existence of professional and  
6        highly-skilled operational and security officers for  
7        the purpose of “ambushing American soldiers” and  
8        stressed that “it would be sufficient for it to simply  
9        loosen its purse strings a little. Then we would wit-  
10        ness a line up of a variety of blue-eyed blonde sol-  
11        diers, who would become grain to be fed to hungry  
12        gamecocks that are waiting for our signal.”.

13            (6) The Quds Force provides support for ter-  
14        rorist organizations conducting operations against  
15        the State of Israel.

16            (7) The Quds Force should be designated as a  
17        foreign terrorist organization in order to facilitate  
18        prosecution against its agents operating in the  
19        United States and abroad.

20            (8) The Government of the United States  
21        should urge European, Arab, African, Asian, and  
22        other governments not to allow members of the Quds  
23        Force to enter their respective countries.

24    **SEC. 2. STATEMENT OF POLICY.**

25        Congress—

1           (1) urges the Secretary of State to designate  
2           the Quds Force (Qods Force), a unit of Iran's Is-  
3           lamic Revolutionary Guards Corps, as a foreign ter-  
4           rorist organization under section 219 of the Immi-  
5           gration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1189) in  
6           order to focus attention on the threat this organiza-  
7           tion poses to the United States and the international  
8           community;

9           (2) condemns the acts of terrorism perpetrated  
10          by the Quds Force; and

11          (3) condemns the support provided by the Quds  
12          Force for Shiite armed elements reportedly con-  
13          ducting operations against United States military  
14          forces in Iraq and for terrorist organizations con-  
15          ducting operations against the State of Israel.

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